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MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Directors

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FROM: Ellen Nau, Human Services Program Coordinator

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From the Age of Aquarius to the Age of Responsibility

A Social Trends Report of the Pew Research Center December, 2005

The magic year has arrived! Baby Boomers born in 1946 have arrived in the aging network. This group may change the face of the aging network but they are active participants in the same family relationships that generations before them have experienced – between aging parents and children. Many "boomers" are still raising children or providing financial and other support to adult children and aging parents.

The financial flow is not one way from boomer to parent. 19% of boomers in the Pew Survey report receiving financial aid from their parent while 29% gave aid to a parent in survey year. Boomers are generous with their adult children. Of those reporting having an adult child, 68% report that they are either a primary or secondary source of financial support for an 18+ child. Boomers view it as a definite responsibility of parents to provide for a child's college education – regardless of their income level. A small majority of boomers regard it as their obligation to provide space in their home for an elderly parent who may wish to move in. However, only a minority of those surveyed regards it as necessary to take an adult child into their home or provide childcare for grandchildren.

For an interesting statistical review of the intergenerational relationships of the boomer generation – a group that will challenge society in the next few years as they contribute to the growth of retirees and the shrinking number of U.S. worker - consult the full Pew Research Report at http://pewresearch.org/socialtrends/socialtrends-boomers120805.pdf

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White House Targeted Workshop on Faith-Based and Community Initiatives

Tuesday, February 7, 2006 8:00AM - 5:00PM

Hilton Harrisburg One North Second Street Harrisburg, PA 17101

On Tuesday, February 7, 2006, the White House and the Departments of Justice, Commerce, Agriculture, Labor, Veterans Affairs, Health & Human Services, Housing & Urban Development, and Education, the Agency for International Development, and the Small Business Administration will host a targeted workshop in Harrisburg to help faith-based and community organizations learn more about President Bush's Faith-Based and Community Initiative. The event is geared towards representatives from social service groups that have a track record of applying for government funding, especially those from groups that have not yet won grants.

The conference is free, but pre-registration is required. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis. Visit www.fbci.gov to register online.

The workshop is part of a series of regional conferences and targeted

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workshops that are being held around the country. The targeted workshops will offer grant writing tutorials for certain Federal grant programs that present some of the greatest opportunities for faith-based and community organizations. They will also provide the occasion for Federal officials to meet with State and local grant administrators about equal treatment regulations and facilitate opportunities to network with government officials.

For more information, please call 202-456-6718, send an email to fbci@dtihq.com, or visit www.fbci.gov.

Grants for Faith-Based Collaborations

2006 Partners in Transformation Awards Program

The Faith and Service Technical Education Network (FASTEN) offers resources to faith-based practitioners, philanthropies, and public administrators who collaborate to renew urban communities. FASTEN's 2006 Partners in Transformation Awards Program will provide grants to faith-based organizations and houses of worship operating programs in collaboration with organizations outside the faith community in the following states: AL, CA, FL, LA, MS, NC, NY, OK, TX, **and VA**. Grants will focus on three categories of service: Emergency Disaster Response (short-term relief efforts); Community Recovery/Rebuilding Efforts (long-term developmental efforts, e.g., jobs and housing); and Services Addressing Deep Pockets of Poverty (e.g., youth programs, healthcare, jobs programs, etc. in historically poor/distressed neighborhoods). The application deadline is March 1, 2006. Visit their

website, http://www.fastennetwork.org/display.asp?Page=2006 INFO for more information.

From JTO Direct:

Release of Free Nonprofit Databasing Tool Set for February

On Feb. 15, the <u>Organizer's Collaborative</u> (OC), a Boston, Mass.-based nonprofit group, will release the first version of its Organizers Database (ODB) tool for nonprofits.

Developed over four years with input from over 100 community organizations, this free program seeks to help small nonprofits by giving them a way to track members,

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prospects and donors with software designed specifically for the needs of smaller organizations. The OC claims the 350-plus organizations already using the software have increased donations by over \$1 million.

ODB 1.0 is a fully independent open-source application for Windows, with networking capabilities for up to 15 computers, and cross-platform compatibility slated for release in the fall. The Windows version is available for download online, at http://organizenow.net/odb/odb.php

Free Website Utility for Nonprofits

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<u>nGenuity Solutions</u>, makers of popular web utilities, is offering free, fully licensed versions of its Easy Website Builder to qualified nonprofits.

To be eligible, organizations must give proof of 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status, or show a hard copy nonprofit certificate. Organizations must provide a charitable service to the community.

All applications will be reviewed by the principals of nGenuity Solutions; there is no deadline. To apply, contact nGenuity Solutions via email.